Venezuela, where India also actively participated.

Extension of Community Irrigation Project in Kerala

2294. SHRI T.J. ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal from the Government of Kerala for the extension of Community Irrigation Project to more districts in the State which is being implemented with Dutch assistance;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) to (c). The Pilot Project with Dutch aid is to be presently implemented in the Trichur District with the likelihood of further expansion as and when additional phases of the Project are appraised and implemented.

[*Translation*]

Loss Suffered by NSC

2295. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Seeds Corporation are incurring losses;

(b) whether the Government appointed the Tata Consultancy Services to go into the working of NSC;

(c) if so, the recommendations made by the consultants; and

(d) the follow-up action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMCHANDRAN): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) M/s. Tata Consultancy Services have not submitted their final recommendations.

(d) In the light of (c), this does not arise. [*English*]

Pipeline to Carry Gas from Assam to Bongaigaon

2296. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was any proposal to construct a gas pipeline to carry excess gas from oil-field of Assam to Bongaigaon;

(b) if so, the progress made so far in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise

(c) The gas available from the oil and gas fields of Assam has been committed to various consumers in the State.

LPG Connections in Orissa

2297. DR. KARTIKESWAR PATRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state: